



Wedding Permit Rules

- 1) A permit is required for all weddings, regardless of group size. The Office of the Chief Ranger is here to help ensure your event runs smoothly and without interference to the experience of the park by the general public, park operations, and resource protection. Please read the following conditions and determine if they will correspond with your event plans.
- 2) Access for other park visitors must not be impeded. A Special Use Permit is authorization for your private event to take place on parklands and does not grant exclusive use. It is recommended that you choose less visited sites and schedule your event early or late in the day if you wish to increase the privacy of your event.
- 3) Available parking is limited, often crowded and not guaranteed. Parking spaces may not be reserved or held. Car pooling or van shuttles are highly recommended.
- 4) The use of special equipment, such as canopies, arches, chairs, tents, or other decorations may require further review and are not allowed in certain areas. Please discuss your decorations plans with the Special Use Coordinator and consider alternatives in case your plans are denied.
- 5) Special conveyances, including but not limited to, horse drawn carriages, electric carts, and other devices will need further review and will be restricted to roads and parking lots.
- 6) Fires, candles, tiki torches, and all other forms of open flame are prohibited.
- 7) In respect of other park visitors, amplified music is prohibited. Acoustic music will be considered. Exceptions can be made for portable tape decks, CD players if discussed in advance with the Special Use Permit Coordinator. Standing speakers, disc jockeys, public address systems or any other type of amplified device is prohibited.
- 8) To protect park lands and wildlife, the release of balloons, doves, or butterflies and the throwing of rice, birdseed, flower petals, or other natural or artificial material is not allowed.
- 9) Affixing directional signage to existing buildings, property, signs, poles, or plants is not allowed. Please respect the uncluttered views of the park. Any posted signs will be removed immediately by park personnel. The Special Use Permit Coordinator can provide your group with written directions and maps.
- 10) Alcohol is permitted in most areas. Please discuss alcohol use in advance.

- 11) All trash associated with your private event must be bagged and removed from the park. Please make certain that someone in your group is assigned to remove trash and decorations after your event or you will be billed for staff overtime.

Reservations

We accept reservations for up to one year in advance. Requests are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.